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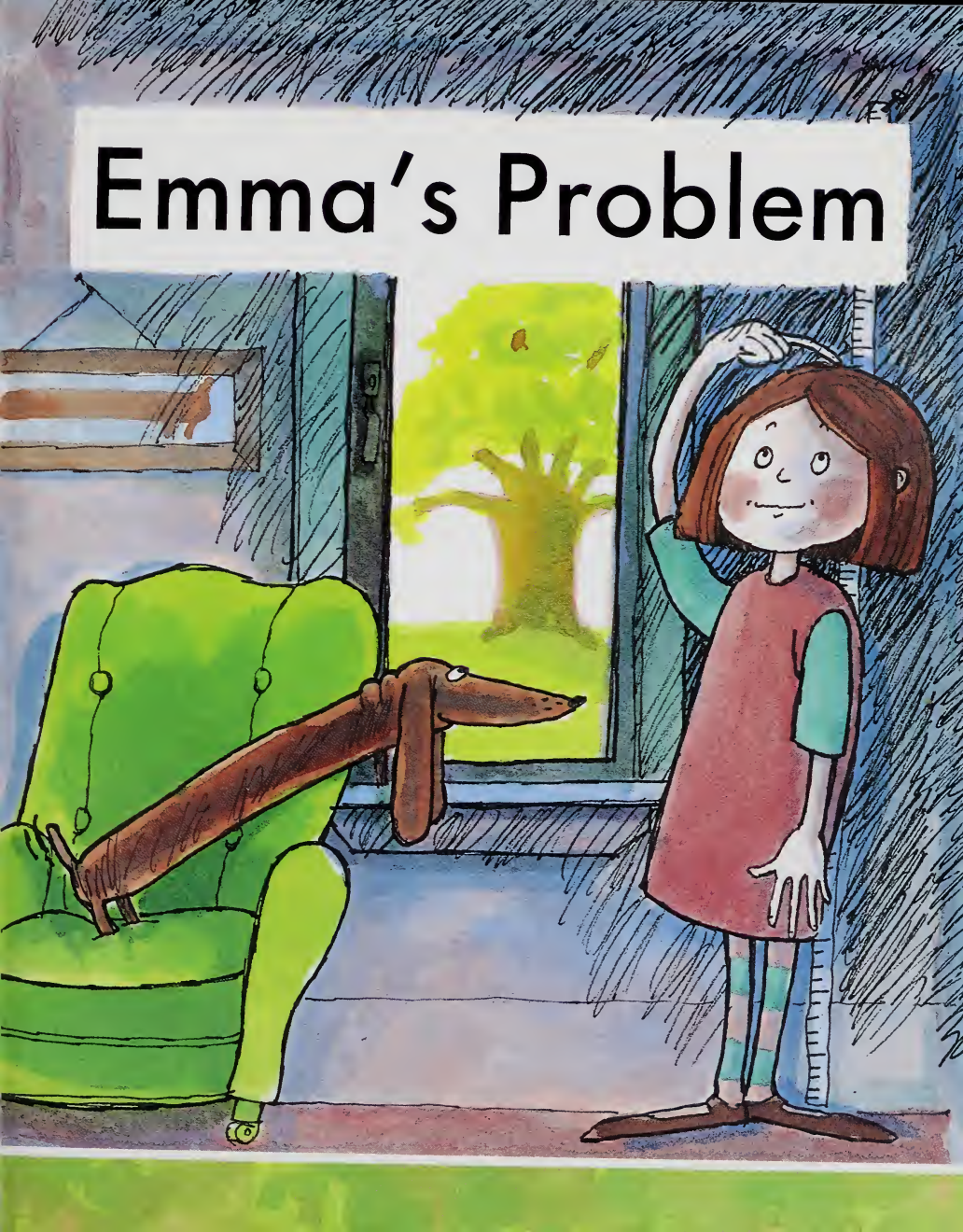


Emma had a problem.
She couldn't climb
the big oak tree
on the lawn.
She couldn't even touch
the first branch.

She tried climbing up a rope, but the rope broke.

She tried climbing up a ladder,
but the ladder fell over.

. . . Summer came.

Emma still couldn't climb
the big oak tree
on the lawn.

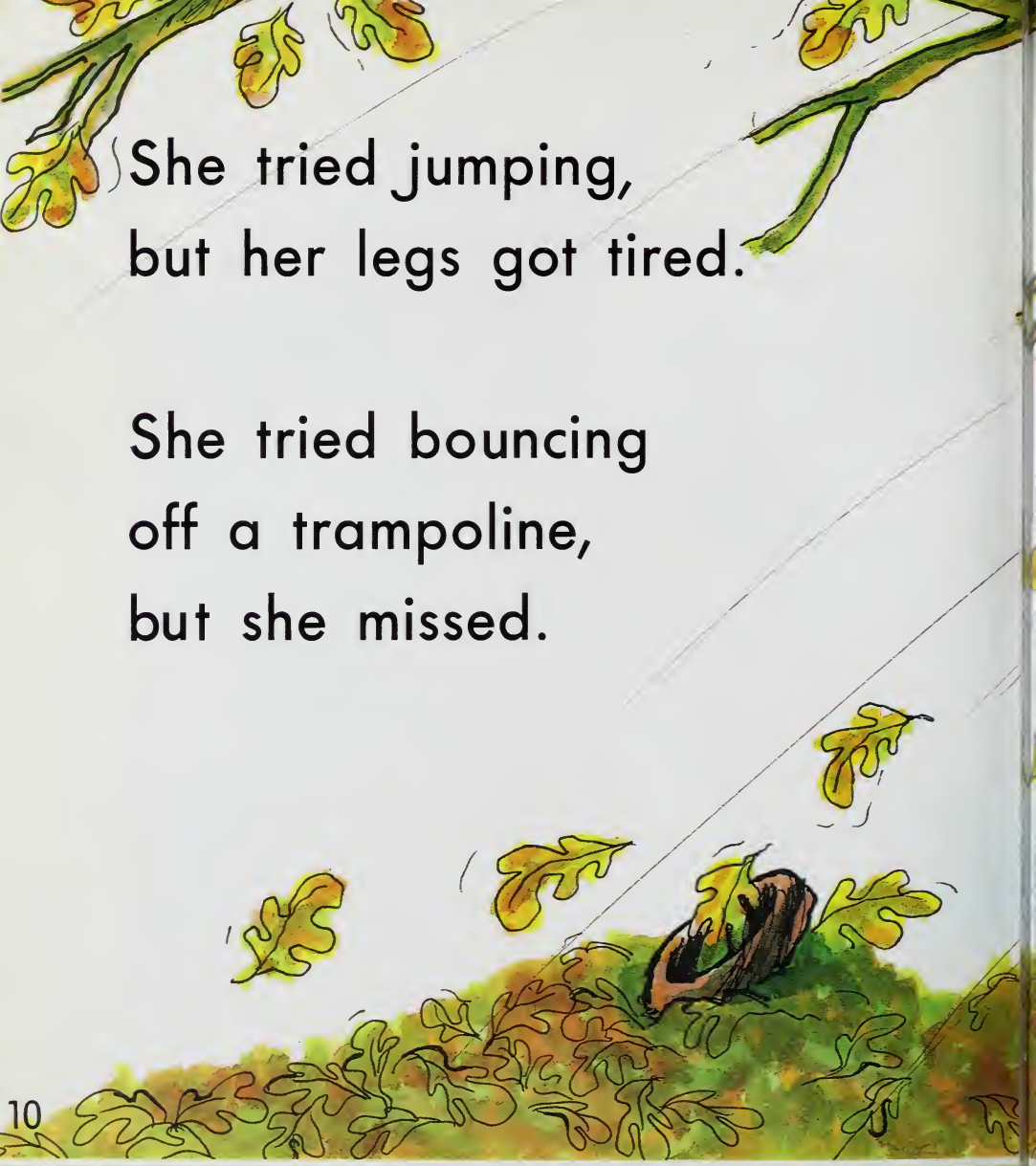
She tried using boxes,
but the boxes collapsed.

She tried standing
on Sam's back,
but Sam saw a cat.

. . . Autumn blew in.

The leaves on the big oak tree turned brown, yellow and red. They flew away in the wind.

But Emma still couldn't climb the big oak tree.



She tried jumping,
but her legs got tired.

She tried bouncing
off a trampoline,
but she missed.

. . . Winter.

The big oak tree stood
with bare branches
in the cold air.

Emma didn't try
to climb the tree.
She knew she couldn't.

. . . Spring again.

There were fresh green leaves
on the oak tree.
Emma so wanted
to climb that tree.

She got the rope
and the ladder and boxes
and Sam and the trampoline.
She would do it somehow!

Then she discovered something.
Emma's problem was gone!

STAGE 4

SET A

A Lollipop, Please
What's Around the Corner?
Roll Over
If You're Happy
Waiting
In the Garden
Numerals
Why Elephants Have Long Noses

SET B

Philippa and the Dragon
What Tommy Did
Dad's Bathtime
The Fastest Gazelle
Grandma's Memories
The Wide-mouthed Frog
When I'm Older
Just My Luck!

SET C

Woolly, Woolly
Can You Carry It, Harriet?
Boxes
Dad Didn't Mind at All
The Barnabys' New House
The Hungry Chickens
The Hat Sale
Countdown

SET D

The Deer and the Crocodile
The Wobbly Tooth
Emma's Problem
Papa's Spaghetti
The Crab at the Bottom of the Sea
My House
The Boo-dee-roo
The Mess Monster

SET E

When the Moon Was Blue
Brave Ben
The Father Who Walked on His Hands
Old Friends
Percival
No Dinner for Sally
Ripeka's Carving
Daniel